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Media opportunity with Medal of Honor recipient Sgt. 1st Class Leroy Petry and Ranger Capabilities Demonstration

FORT BENNING, Ga. — Sgt. 1st Class Leroy Petry will be available for a press conference at 1:30 p.m. July 25 at the National Infantry Museum. Petry was awarded the **Medal of Honor** at a ceremony July 12 at The White House for his valorous actions during a daring daylight combat operation May 26, 2008 in Paktika province Afghanistan.

Following the press conference, you are invited to attend the start of Ranger Rendezvous on Fryar Drop Zone. About 1,000 Rangers from the 75th Ranger Regiment will conduct a Ranger Capabilities Demonstration and Mass Tactical Airborne Operation starting at 4:20 p.m. This demonstration will include a military freefall insertion from a Ranger Reconnaissance Team, pre-assault fires demonstration using simulated ammunition followed by the airborne mass tactical insertion and a platoon size raid on an objective.

Ranger Rendezvous is a unit tradition to bring the entire Regiment together for the Regimental change of command.

NOTE TO THE MEDIA: Media interested in covering the Ranger Capabilities Demonstration or interviewing Sgt. 1st Class Petry, should call (706) 545-4260 or (706) 604-5114 for more information.